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Appendix A. (Appendix B, which is enclosed herewith, shows how currently pending Claims 1-11 and 13-20 were amended to produce amended Claims 1-11 and 13-20. In Appendix B, the portions being added are underlined; and the portions being deleted are enclosed in braces.)

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first paragraph on page 35 of the specification (see lines 1-2 on page 35) with the amended paragraph that is set forth in the enclosed Appendix C. (Appendix D, which is enclosed herewith, shows how the first paragraph on page 35 was amended to produce the amended paragraph that is set forth in Appendix C. In Appendix D, the portions being added are underlined; and the portions being deleted are enclosed in braces.)

REMARKS

The Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on February 11, 2002; and this response is being submitted within five months after the Notice of Appeal was filed. Therefore, a petition and a fee for a three-month extension of time are enclosed herewith.

Hereinafter, the claims that are pending prior to the entry of the amendments in this response are called "currently pending claims."